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**Environmental Change and Migration  
Assessing the Evidence and Developing Norms for Response**

**Workshop**

**January 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> 2009**

**Rewley House, 1 Wellington Square, Oxford OX1 2JA**

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**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2009**

**0900 – 0930 Registration and coffee**

**0930 – 1100 Opening Remarks:** *Chair: Simon Addison, RSC*  
Environmental Change, Displacement, Migration: Making Labels and Policy Agendas  
*Prof. Roger Zetter, Director, Refugee Studies Centre*

Environment and migration: A methodological challenge  
*Prof. Etienne Piguet, University of Neuchatel*

**1100 – 1115 Coffee in the Common Room**

**1115 – 1300 Panel 1:** *Chair: Prof. Tom Downing, SEI*  
Global footprint database and micro-simulation  
*Lezlie Moriniere, University of Arizona*

Transformations in risk: Tipping points of sustainability or humanitarian crisis?  
*Richard Taylor, Stockholm Environment Institute (Oxford)*

**1300 – 1400 Lunch in the Dining Room**

**1400 – 1600 Panel 2:** *Chair: Hein De Haas, IMI*  
Early empirical research and a global research agenda for environmental change and migration  
*Koko Warner, United Nations University & Frank Laczko, IOM*

Migration as an adaptation strategy to environmental change: Insights from the EACH-FOR project in the Asia Pacific  
*François Gemenne, University of Liège*

Environmental changes and migration to Europe. A case study: Ecuador  
*Oscar Alvarez Gila, University of Oxford & Virginia López de Maturana, University of the Basque Country*

**1600 - 1615** *Afternoon tea in the Common Room*

**1615 - 1730 Panel 3:** *Chair: Prof. Etienne Piguet, U of Neuchatel*  
Environmental change and migration: A case study of the Ethiopian highlands  
*James Morrissey, University of Oxford*

Household resilience, tipping points and pathological homes: Who migrates and who stays behind?  
*Petra Tschakert, Pennsylvania State University*

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2009**

**0900 - 1100 Panel 1:** *Chair: Oliver Bakewell, IMI*  
Climate change, natural disasters and human displacement  
*Jeff Crisp, UNHCR*

Doomed to flee? Why 'canary in the coal mine' rhetoric may harm low-lying island nations  
*Peter Rudiak-Gould, University of Oxford*

Supporting people to adapt socio-ecological systems to environmental change  
*Douglas Bardsley, University of Adelaide*

**1100 - 1115** *Coffee in the Common Room*

**1115 - 1300 Panel 2:** *Chair: Koko Warner, UNU*  
Institutional barriers to the recognition of environmentally forced migrants  
*Chloé Vlassopoulos, University of Picardie*

Legal protection for environmentally displaced persons: Evaluating the multiplicity of approaches  
*Michèle Morel, University of Ghent*

Do existing forms of legal and social protection provide adequate mechanisms for protecting the environmentally displaced?  
*Vikram Kolmannskog, Norwegian Refugee Council*

**1300 - 1400** *Lunch in the Dining Room*

**1400 - 1530 Panel 3:** *Chair: Roger Zetter, RSC*  
Mitigating future disasters: The ethics and politics of human resettlement  
*Craig Johnson, University of Guelph & The Tyndall Centre, Oxford*

Climate change, migration and responsibility  
*Karin Boschert, German Advisory Council on Global Change*

**1530 - 1545** *Afternoon tea in the Common Room*

**1545 - 1700 Final Plenary Discussion:** *Chair: Simon Addison, RSC*